

## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

<i>In re</i> Application of:	)	
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Robert Charles REES <i>et al.</i>	)	Group Art Unit: TBA
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Serial No. 10/523,981	)	Examiner: TBA
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International Filing Date: August 7, 2003	)	
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For: Gastric and Colon Cancer-Associated	)	Atty. Dkt. No. 000487.00034
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**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Commissioner of Patents  
c/o Customer Service Window  
Randolph Building  
401 Dulany Street  
Alexandria, VA 22314

Sir:

Applicants respectfully request that the enclosed amendments be entered prior to an action on the merits. No fee is believed to be necessary to render this filing timely. However, if a fee is necessary, the Commissioner is authorized to charge our Deposit Account 19-0733.

**Amendments to the Specification** begin on page 2 of this paper.